



Press Release

Indian Deaf Cricket Team gears up for DICC T20 World Cup 2024 in Sharjah, UAE

JW Marriott Aerocity, New Delhi onboards as Hospitality Partner for team IDCA

- IDCA unveiled the Indian specially-abled cricket team's jersey for the forthcoming tournament.
- Teams from six countries compete against each other on the field for the prestigious World Cup trophy.
- The match will be held in Sharjah, UAE from March 6th to March 12th 2024.

New Delhi, February 26 2024: The Indian Deaf Cricket team is all set to participate in the Deaf International Cricket Council (DICC) T20 Champions Trophy 2024 to be held in Sharjah (UAE) from March 6th to March 12th 2024.

For the forthcoming championship, the Indian Deaf Cricket Association (IDCA) has unveiled the new jersey of the Indian specially-abled team. The unveiling ceremony took place in the presence of dignitaries from the cricket and corporate worlds, along with the IDCA team, who will represent India at the championship trophy.

IDCA has also finalised the names of a total of 15 players for the championship. Captain Virendra Singh will lead the team in their quest to bring the coveted trophy home. The coach, Mr Dev Dutt, and trainer, Mr. Mohd Mashaur will also accompany the team to guide them throughout the championship.

The IDCA committee members will accompany the team to Sharjah.

- Reena Jain Malhotra, Patron
- Sumit Jain, President
- Vineet Malhotra, Vice Chairman
- Roma Balwani, CEO
- Dev Dutt, Coach
- Santosh Kumar Rai, Sports Director
- Virender Singh, Captain
- Ajay Kumar, Secretary

IDCA is a founder member of DCCI- Differently Abled council of India, supported by BCCI. IDCA is thankful for the support extended to the Indian hearing impaired team on their participation in the DICC T 20 World Cup, UAE, 2024.

On the jersey unveiling ceremony, **Mr Sumit Jain, President, IDCA** said, "The team has been preparing for months for the world championship and is all set to put their best foot forward at Sharjah. We won the 2022 championship and are determined to bring the trophy to India this time as well. We are thankful to all our support partners for their unwavering commitment to promoting the sport among specially-abled individuals and joining the 'DaretoDream' movement to mainstream these players. We are looking forward to a long partnership with them."



Ms Roma Balwani, CEO, IDCA said, “DICCC T20 World Cup helps draw the spotlight on the talent and cricketing skills of specially-abled players. Competing at the global level provides an excellent opportunity for players to learn and improve their skills. I wish the team immense luck and success for the tournament and extend gratitude to our partners for their support.”

Ms Reena Jain Malhotra, Patron, IDCA commented, “DICCC T20 World Cup is an excellent platform for specially-abled players to showcase their prowess. All of us are pumped up for the forthcoming World Championship in Sharjah. Wishing the team the very best and hope that they clinch the trophy home.”

Teams from six countries — India, Australia, Bangladesh, Pakistan, South Africa and Sri Lanka — will compete at Vision Cricket Center, Sharjah, UAE to win the title of world champion. The two qualifying teams will play the final matches on March 12th.

Serum Institute of India Pvt. Ltd (Cyrus Poonawalla Group), KFC India, Hero MotoCorp, Nykaa, Victorinox, Impact Research and Measurement, Kaizzen, GKS Projects & Events, and Nippon India Mutual Funds are IDCA’s support partners for the upcoming tournament.

JW Marriott Aerocity, New Delhi will felicitate the participating team IDCA.

For Twitter IDCA for more information: [@indian_deaf](https://twitter.com/indian_deaf)

About IDCA:

IDCA was formed in 2020 by Mr. Sumit Jain, Vice President & member of DCCI (Differently-Abled Cricket Committee, BCCI) registered under the Societies Registration Act 1860 with the sole aim of promoting the game of Cricket amongst the deaf athletes of the country and to provide them the platform to showcase their talent and to represent their respective states at national level and country at international level.

Indian Deaf Cricket Association (IDCA) is a governing body for deaf cricket in India and a member of DICCC (Deaf International Cricket Council) which closely works with ICC to promote Cricket amongst Deaf Cricketers globally. (Equal opportunities, protection of rights & full participation). It is solely dedicated to serving the cause of persons with disabilities.

Prior to forming IDCA, Deaf Cricket Society was established in 2012 and has nurtured & trained thousands of hearing-impaired cricketers over a decade to participate in state, national & international tournaments.

The final list of players for DICCC T20 World Cup 2024

S No.	Players
1.	Virender Singh (C)
2.	Sai Akash (VC)
3.	Prathviraj Shetty
4.	Jitendra Tyagi



5.	Umar Ashraf (WK)
6.	Akash Singh
7.	Vivek Kumar
8.	Deepak Kumar
9.	Munna Sarkar
10.	Santi (WK)
11.	Kuldeep Singh
12.	Sudarsun E
13.	Manjeet Kumar
14.	Susheel Yadav
15.	Abhishek Singh